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BY TOM OCHILTREE

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GENEVA, MARCH 26 (AP)-WESTERN DIPLOMATS SAID TONIGHT SOVIET COMPLAINTS ABOUT FRANCE'S ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS COULD BE USED AS AN ESCAPE CHUTE TO END NUCLEAR TEST BAN TALKS. IF MOSCOW ANTS IT THAT WAY.

THESE INFORMANTS SAID FRENCH TESTING COULD BE USED TO BREAK OFF THREE-POWER TALKS HERE IN SUCH A WAY AS NOT TO BRING DOWN THE CONDEMNATION OF WORLD OPINION ON SOVIET HEADS. THE AMERICANS AND THE BRITISH ARE JUST AS ANXIOUS AS THE RUSSIANS TO AVOID ANY SUCH CONDEMNATION.

MEMBERS OF THE U.S. AND BRITISH DELEGATIONS SAID THEY HAVE NO WAY OF DETERMINING WHETHER TERMINATION OF THE TALKS IS IN THE MIND OF SOVIET DELEGATE SEMYON K. TSARAPKIN. THE LATEST ROUND IN 2 1/2 YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS STARTED LAST WEEK.

THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE BEEN TRYING TO WRITE A TREATY FOR THE TERMINATION OF ATOMIC AND HYDROGEN WEAPON TESTS. THEY ARE A LONG WAY FROM COMPLETING THE TASK.

FRANCE HAS NEVER BEEN A PARTY TO THE NUCLEAR TALKS AND WESTERN SOURCES SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TECHNICALLY TO BRING A FRENCH NEGOTIATING TEAM TO THE TABLE AT GENEVA NOW.

IF THE THREE-POWER TALKS FAIL--AS IT NOW APPEARS THEY MIGHT--NONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS WANTS TO SHOULDER THE BLAME. AND FRANCE, WHICH HAS ATOMIC CAPABILITY AND IS NOT REPRESENTED HERE, THUS COULD BECOME A SCAPEGOAT.

TSARAPKIN RAISED THE FRENCH QUESTION AS SOON AS THE THREE-POWER TALKS RESUMED LAST WEEK AFTER A LONG WINTER RECESS. HE SUGGESTED THE FRENCH, AS MEMBERS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, COULD ACT AS AGENTS FOR THE AMERICANS AND BRITISH. IN OTHER WORDS, EVEN IF THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN AGREED TO A TEST BAN TREATY, THE WEST STILL COULD IMPROVE ITS ARSENAL OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY LETTING FRANCE STAY OUTSIDE THE PACT AND CARRY ON THE EXPERIMENTAL WORK FOR THE WHOLE NATO ALLIANCE.

THE WESTERN ANSWER TO THIS LINE OF ARGUMENT IS THIS: THERE NEVER HAS BEEN A NETWORK BY WHICH ATOMIC SECRETS ARE TRANSMITTED BETWEEN WASHINGTON, LONDON AND PARIS. ON THE CONTRARY, FRANCE HAS COMPLAINED THAT THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN DID NOTHING TO HELP HER DEVELOP HER ATOMIC DEVICE. THIS MEANT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAD TO SPEND MONEY AND DIRECT THE ENERGY OF ITS SCIENTISTS ON EXPERIMENTAL PROJECTS WHICH THE OLDER ATOMIC POWERS HAD COVERED YEARS BEFORE.

THE WESTERN DELEGATIONS ALSO NOTED THAT THE SOVIET UNION MADE NO MENTION OF COMMUNIST CHINA. IT IS GENERALLY ASSUMED THAT THE RED CHINESE ARE APPROACHING THE TIME WHEN THEY WILL EXPLODE THEIR OWN NUCLEAR DEVICES.

THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN BELIEVE THAT IF A NUCLEAR TEST SUSPENSION TREATY IS CONCLUDED NO POWER WILL BE ABLE TO REFUSE TO ABIDE BY ITS PROVISIONS. THIS WOULD APPLY TO FRANCE, RED CHINA OR ANY OTHER NATION WITH THE KNOW-HOW TO MAKE ATOMIC WEAPONS.

THE THREE-POWER TALKS RESUME TOMORROW.

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ADVANCE FOR 4:30 P.M. EST

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(ADVANCE) LONDON, MARCH 26 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY TONIGHT RULLED OUT ANY SHORT-NOTICE SUMMIT CONFERENCE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER MAJOR POWERS.

IN A FILMED INTERVIEW FROM WASHINGTON SHOWN BY BRITAIN'S COMMERCIAL TELEVISION SERVICE, THE U.S. PRESIDENT SAID ANY SUMMIT MEETING SHOULD BE PRECEDED BY PRELIMINARY. LOWER-LEVEL TALKS WHICH

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GAVE HOPE OF PROGRESS IN EASING WORLD TENSIONS.

"IF THERE HAS NOT BEEN THAT MEETING OF MINDS AT THE LOWER LEVEL," HE COMMENTED, "A TWO OR THREE DAY PUBLICIZED ENCOUNTER WILL NOT BRING ABOUT A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE."

KENNEDY SAID THE WESTERN WORLD'S MAJOR INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM AT THE MOMENT IS NOT MILITARY BUT A STRUGGLE TO HELP AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA MAINTAIN AGAINST GREED ODDS A SYSTEM OF FREEDOM.

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(270) ADVANCE FOR NOON, EST, SUNDAY, MARCH 26--NOTE DATE

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SOVIET-U.S. ARMS

(ADVANCE) WASHINGTON, MARCH 26 (AP)-A GENERAL SAID TODAY SOVIET COMBAT TROOPS' SUPPLY OF MODERN TANKS, HELICOPTERS AND OTHER NEW WEAPONS MAY EXCEED THOSE OF THE U.S. ARMY BY FOUR OR FIVE TIMES.

AT THE SAME TIME, BRIG. GEN. LAWRENCE J. LINCOLN, IN CHARGE OF ARMY MODERNIZATION, SAID HE EXPECTS PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO MAKE SOME INCREASES IN THE \$1.8 BILLION FOR PROCUREMENT OF MAJOR ARMY EQUIPMENT ASKED BY FORMER PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

LINCOLN SAID THE UNITED STATES MAY BE EVEN OR AHEAD OF THE SOVIET ARMY IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOME NEW COMBAT WEAPONS BUT THE RUSSIANS PRODUCE "GREAT QUANTITIES OF AN ITEM AS SOON AS THEY ARE FINISHED DEVELOPING IT AND EQUIP THEIR ARMY VERY RAPIDLY."

"WE ARE JUST SLOWER AT IT," HE TOLD SEN. KENNETH B. KEATING, R-N.Y., IN AN INTERVIEW RECORDED FOR RADIO-TV STATIONS IN NEW YORK.

KEATING ASKED IF THE RUSSIAN ARMY IS "MORE MODERN THAN OURS?"

"THEY ARE," LINCOLN REPLIED, EXPLAINING THAT SOVIET MEDIUM TANKS HAVE A GREATER OPERATING RANGE AND THEIR HELICOPTERS PROBABLY ARE NEWER AND MORE EFFECTIVE.

"THEY HAVE THEIR BEST ONES IN GREAT NUMBERS--MAYBE FOUR TO FIVE TIMES AS MANY AS WE DO--WHERE OUR BEST ONES WE DO NOT HAVE IN GREAT QUANTITY," HE ADDED.

THE GENERAL SAID IT WOULD TAKE SEVERAL YEARS TO PRODUCE ENOUGH MORE MODERN EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS TANKS, RIFLES AND PERSONNEL CARRIERS.

LINCOLN SAID THE U.S. ARMY NOW IS EQUIPPED "TO FIGHT NON-ATOMIC OR AN ATOMIC WARFARE ON THE BATTLEFIELD. WE HAVE THIS CAPABILITY DOWN IN OUR INFANTRY DIVISIONS."

ASKED ABOUT SOVIET CAPABILITY IN THIS FIELD, THE GENERAL REPLIED:

"I THINK IT'S SAFE TO SAY, HERE AGAIN, THAT THE ATOMIC WEAPONS WE HAVE ARE EQUAL TO THEIRS. OF COURSE, HERE AGAIN, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MORE."

CONSIDERING VARIED METHODS FOR DELIVERY OF NUCLEAR STRIKES, LINCOLN SAID "THERE'S EVIDENCE THAT THEY HAVE MORE THAN WE HAVE."

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BY ENDRE MARTON

WASHINGTON, MARCH 26 (AP)-FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN ACHESON HAS CONCLUDED THE REVIEW OF THIS COUNTRY'S POLICY TOWARD THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE. HE IS REPORTED TO FAVOR FURNISHING NATO WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

ACHESON IS TO REPORT HIS FINDINGS INFORMALLY TO PRESIDENT KENNEDY MONDAY MORNING.

KENNEDY ASKED ACHESON TO MAKE HIS REVIEW OF THE 15-NATION ALLIANCE SHORTLY AFTER THE INAUGURATION IN JANUARY.

ACHESON WILL NOT SUBMIT A FORMAL REPORT WHEN HE GOES TO THE WHITE HOUSE TOMORROW BUT IS TO DISCUSS WITH THE PRESIDENT WHAT HE THINKS THE UNITED STATES SHOULD DO TO BOLSTER THE ALLIANCE.

ACHESON'S INFORMAL REPORT REPRESENTS HIS OWN VIEWS EMBRACING ALL OF NATO'S POLITICAL, MILITARY, AND ECONOMIC ASPECTS. KENNEDY HAS AMPLE TIME TO MAKE HIS DECISIONS BEFORE NATO'S FOREIGN MINISTERS MEET IN OSLO MAY 9.

THE ADMINISTRATION, OFFICIALS CAUTIONED, DOES NOT PLAN TO COME OUT WITH A ONE-PACKAGE SWEEPING POLICY STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH NATO BUT WILL ANNOUNCE ITS VIEWS ON CERTAIN QUESTIONS WHENEVER THE OCCASION ARISES.

FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTIAN HERTER TOLD THE NATO MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE LAST DECEMBER THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PREPARED TO FURNISH THE ALLIANCE WITH POLARIS-EQUIPPED SUBMARINES.

THUS FAR THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION HAS NOT REPEATED THE OFFER. KENNEDY HIMSELF, HOWEVER, IN A MAGAZINE ARTICLE LAST FALL SUPPORTED THE THESIS THAT NATO WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IF IT HAD ITS OWN NUCLEAR FORCE.

GEN. LAURIS NORSTAD, NATO'S SUPREME COMMANDER IN EUROPE, AND PAUL-HENRI SPAAK, THE ORGANIZATION'S FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL, ARE KNOWN TO BE STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF SUCH A PLAN.

KENNEDY, INFORMANTS EXPLAINED, WAS WAITING NOT ONLY FOR THE ACHESON REPORT BEFORE DECIDING ON THIS ISSUE, BUT ALSO FOR SOME SIGNS ON WHETHER THE SOVIETS ARE WILLING TO COOPERATE IN SUCH AREAS AS NUCLEAR TEST TALKS AND LAOS.

THE KREMLIN EXPRESSED GRAVE CONCERN OVER THE HERTER SUGGESTION. BUT ITS WARNINGS AGAINST SUPPLYING NATO WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS MIGHT BE IGNORED IF IT MAINTAINS ITS RIGID ATTITUDE AT THE GENEVA NUCLEAR CONFERENCE OR BLOCKS WESTERN EFFORTS TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE LAOS CRISIS, WELL INFORMED SOURCES PREDICTED.

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BY ROBERT GOLDENSTEIN

ASSOCIATED PRESS SCIENCE WRITER ~~3.43~~ 30.54
CHICAGO, MARCH 26 (AP)-WHERE WOULD A TEAM OF DISARMAMENT TREATY INSPECTORS START LOOKING IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY TO DISCOVER A HIDDEN STOCKPILE OF ATOMIC WEAPONS?

THE ONE SURE PLACE, A SCIENTIST CONTENDED TODAY, WOULD BE IN THE MINDS OF SOME OF THE NATIONAL LEADERS.

DR. JAY OREAR OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY SAID SHERLOCK HOLMES TECHNIQUES INCORPORATED INTO A DISARMAMENT TREATY--WOULD PROVIDE GREATER FLEXIBILITY THEN ARRANGEMENTS FOR PHYSICAL INVENTORIES.

"UNDER CAREFUL QUESTIONING, MANY PEOPLE ARE INCAPABLE OF EFFECTIVE LYING," HE SAID.

HE PROPOSED THAT INTERNATIONAL INTERROGATORS BE EMPOWERED BY TREATY TO QUESTION A NATION'S CITIZENS, INCLUDING POLITICAL, MILITARY AND SCIENTIFIC LEADERS. PUNISHMENT WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE WHO REFUSE TO ANSWER RELEVANT QUESTIONS, BUT ALL WOULD HAVE SUCH USUAL SAFEGUARDS AS LEGAL COUNSEL.

HE ALSO SUGGESTED USING LIE DETECTORS, IF THEY COULD BE PROVED RELIABLE IN FIELD TESTS.

AS AN INDUCEMENT FOR COOPERATION FROM CITIZENS, HE SUGGESTED SUBSTANTIAL NATIONAL AWARDS AND PRIZES FOR PERSONS WHO REPORT VERIFIABLE VIOLATIONS. THEY WOULD BE GIVEN SANCTUARY ABROAD, IF DESIRED.

TO TEST HIS THEORY, OREAR SUGGESTED A VAST GAME OF "HIDE AND SEEK," INVOLVING A DUMMY INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE, BE PLAYED IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

A TEAM OF PHYSICAL INSPECTORS WOULD SEARCH TEXAS WHILE THE NON-PHYSICAL INSPECTION TEAM WOULD QUESTION THE GROUP THAT HID THE DUMMY.

WRITING IN THE BULLETIN OF THE ATOMIC SCIENTISTS, HE SAID:

"MANY FEEL THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETECT HIDDEN STOCKS WHICH ARE A SMALL FRACTION OF THE ORIGINAL STOCKPILE. THE PRESENT STOCKPILES ARE NOW SO LARGE THAT JUST ONE PER CENT OF THEM COULD CAUSE DAMAGE GREATLY EXCEEDING THAT OF WORLD WAR II."

HE ADDED THAT MANY CITIZENS, INCLUDING SOME POLITICAL, MILITARY AND SCIENTIFIC LEADERS, WOULD NECESSARILY HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SECRET NATIONAL PROGRAM TO HIDE AN EFFECTIVE ATOMIC STOCKPILE.

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BY JOHN GALE (180) ~~45.14~~ 30.24
LONDON, MARCH 26 (AP)-THE RUSSIANS WERE REPORTED TODAY STILL BEAMING CODED INSTRUCTIONS TO INTELLIGENCE AGENTS IN BRITAIN DESPITE THE RECENT CRACKDOWN ON A SOVIET SPY RING.

THE LONDON OBSERVER SAID RADIO SIGNALS FROM A STATION NEAR MOSCOW HAD BEEN INTERCEPTED OVER THE WEEKEND.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID THE SIGNALS APPARENTLY WERE INTENDED FOR AGENTS IN THE LONDON AREA AND ORIGINATED FROM THE SAME STATION WHICH FORMERLY BEAMED ORDERS TO PETER AND HELEN KROGER, THE AMERICAN COUPLE JAILED FOR TERMS OF 20 YEARS EACH IN THE BRITISH NAVAL SECRETS TRIAL WHICH ENDED WEDNESDAY.

IN THE TRIAL, SENTENCES TOTALING 95 YEARS WERE IMPOSED ON A SPY RING OF FIVE PERSONS, HEADED BY GORDON A. LONSDALE. THE GOVERNMENT SAID LONSDALE WAS A RUSSIAN OPERATING UNDER A FALSE CANADIAN IDENTITY, AND THAT THE RING STOLE SECRET DETAILS OF THE BRITISH ATOMIC SUBMARINE DREADNOUGHT WHICH WAS BUILT WITH THE HELP OF AMERICAN BLUEPRINTS.

THERE HAS BEEN WIDESPREAD CONCERN IN BRITAIN THAT THE RING WAS ABLE TO OPERATE HERE FOR SO LONG WITHOUT DETECTION.

PRIME MINISTER MACMILLAN HAS PROMISED AN OFFICIAL INQUIRY INTO THE SECURITY LAPSE WHICH ENABLED THE RING TO PENETRATE THE ROYAL NAVY'S UNDERWATER WEAPONS ESTABLISHMENT AT PORTLAND.

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HONG KONG, MARCH 26 (AP)-MRS. ROBERT MCCANN OF PASADENA, CALIF., ARRIVED IN HONG KONG TODAY EN ROUTE TO COMMUNIST CHINA TO SEE HER HUSBAND, AN AMERICAN PRISONER DYING OF LUNG CANCER.

MCCANN, 60, A FORMER BUSINESSMAN IN NORTH CHINA, HAS BEEN IN JAIL IN TIENTSIN SINCE JUNE 1951, WHEN HE WAS SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR UNSPECIFIED CRIMES AGAINST THE STATE.

THE PEIPING GOVERNMENT NOTIFIED THE UNITED STATES EARLIER THIS MONTH THAT MCCANN IS SUFFERING FROM AN ADVANCED CASE OF LUNG CANCER AND GRANTED HIS WIFE A SPECIAL VISA TO VISIT HIM IN JAIL.

MRS. MCCANN LOOKED A LITTLE TIRED AFTER HER 9,000-MILE FLIGHT BUT SHOWED NO SIGN OF EMOTIONAL STRAIN. SHE TOLD NEWSMEN SHE HAD NOT SEEN HER HUSBAND IN 13 YEARS AND WAS "VERY HAPPY TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GO INTO CHINA."

SHE SAID SHE HAD NO IDEA WHETHER THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS PLANNED TO RELEASE HER HUSBAND BECAUSE OF HIS CRITICAL CONDITION.

"BUT I CERTAINLY HOPE SO," SHE SAID. "WHEN I'VE SEEN HIM AND AFTER I'VE DETERMINED HIS CONDITION I WILL CONSIDER ASKING THE AUTHORITIES TO RELEASE HIM AND PERMIT HIM TO RETURN HOME WITH ME."

SHE EXPECTS TO CROSS THE BORDER INTO COMMUNIST CHINA IN THREE OR FOUR DAYS, AFTER CONTACTING CHINESE COMMUNIST TRAVEL AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS IN HONG KONG.

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LONDON, MARCH 26 (AP)-BRITISH FROGMAN MICHAEL (MAD MIKE) HENDERSON WAS QUOTED TODAY AS SAYING HE INTENDS TO MAKE A SECOND VISIT THIS WEEK TO THE UNDERSIDE OF THE TOP-SECRET U.S. MISSILE DEPOT SHIP PROTEUS IN SCOTLAND'S HOLY LOCH.

THE NEWSPAPER NEWS OF THE WORLD SAID HENDERSON WAS UPSET BY PUBLISHED REPORTS THAT THE U.S. NAVY SPOTTED HIM AND "BUNDLED HIM ASHORE" ON HIS PREVIOUS VISIT EARLIER THIS MONTH WHEN HE CLAIMS TO HAVE SCRATCHED HIS INITIALS SIX INCHES HIGH AT TWO PLACES ON THE SHIP'S BOTTOM.

THIS TIME, HE WAS QUOTED, HE INTENDS TO ATTACH A MAGNET TO THE SHIP'S KEEL WITH A NOTE TO THE SKIPPER CAPT. RICHARD LANING--JUST TO PROVE HE CAN DO IT UNDETECTED.

AT HOLY LOCH, WHERE THE DEPOT SHIP FOR U.S. POLARIS SUBMARINES IS ANCHORED, CAPT. N.G. WARD, COMMODORE OF THE FLOTILLA SAID:
"I DON'T THINK THE ACTIVITIES OF THIS MAN ARE WORTHY OF COMMENT. I DO NOT THINK I WOULD BE JUSTIFIED IN SAYING ANYTHING TO GLORIFY HIS EFFORTS TO SEEK PUBLICITY. I CAN SAY THAT WE ARE MAINTAINING NORMAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS."

CAPT. LANING SAID MARCH 18 THE DIVER WAS KEPT UNDER OBSERVATION ON HIS PREVIOUS VISIT AND "WE HAD A BOAT CLOSE TO HIM. WE SENT DOWN OUR OWN FROGMAN TO SEE IF ANYTHING HAD BEEN DONE WHICH COULD HAVE ANY EFFECT ON THE SHIP."

HE WOULDN'T SAY WHETHER ANY INITIALS WERE FOUND.
HENDERSON, 41, IS AN ADVENTURER AND TUG BOAT SKIPPER, WITH NO CONNECTION WITH BRITISH ARMED SERVICES.
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